



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1751**

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Customer Number 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Continuation Application of:)
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Jean-Marc ASCIONE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1751
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Application No.: 09/809,009) Examiner: E. Elhilo
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Filed: March 16, 2001)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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In reply to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, the period for reply having been extended three months to February 13, 2004, by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and reexamination of the claims in view of the following remarks.

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